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Janani Whitfield photo

It was a tricky task for students to use chopsticks to carry little items across the classroom in a relay race, but eventually, they managed to master the art of chopsticks during the Elk Point Elementary School winter carnival last Friday.

New VP, treasurer for chamber

By VICKI BROOKER
Staff Writer

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce has a new vice president for the first time in three years and has held their first election vote in recent history to gain a new treasurer.

Former treasurer Debra McQuinn left that office vacant when she moved up, unopposed, to vice president at last Wednesday's annual general meeting, and two nominations came from the floor for her replacement. Members subsequently marked their ballots for their choice of Sue Cleland or Geoff Hyslop, with returning officer Mircea Panciuk announcing Hyslop as the successful candidate for the treasurer's office.

Both president Sandy Smith and secretary Vicki Brooker were returned to their offices by acclamation.

In her report on the year just past, Smith said the chamber has tackled their largest project ever, the building of the Visitor Information EcoCentre. Finishing touches are now being put on the building, with the painter scheduled to arrive the day after the meeting to complete the touch-ups, and the mechanical contractor to meet with chamber and town representatives this week to go over the operating procedures for the heating system. ATCO has promised to have the reverse meter in place by the end of February. The wind turbine, however, will not be installed until late April or early May.

Smith touched on the year's activities, which included a very successful fundraiser with Brett Kissel and Danny Hooper that brought in close to \$20,000. The chamber also hosted the Canada Day breakfast, the opening reception for the Northern Lights Library System and the Christmas Extravaganza, and co-hosted the CFCW Critters game, as well as continuing their tradition of the Christmas lighting and decorating contest.

Memberships were fewer in 2009, but an aggressive 2010 membership campaign is now underway and is hoped to bring the total back up for this year.

Membership fees for this year were set at last year's annual meeting, and members voted for a \$25 across-the-board increase in 2011, with businesses paying an even \$100 for next year's membership and \$50 for an individual membership, with the executive working hard to put value-added incentives in place for members.

The other change voted in at the annual meeting was a later starting time for the evening meeting held on the third Wednesday of each month. These meetings will now start at 6:30 p.m. rather than 6 p.m. to allow business owners more time to get to the meeting after their 6 p.m. closing time. The first meeting of the month remains at noon on the first Wednesday.

Canada Day plans underway

By VICKI BROOKER
Staff Writer

Elk Point's 2010 Canada Day parade could wind its way through a festively decorated downtown on July 1, if ideas put forward by the community's Canada Day Committee last week are translated into action.

Members recalled the attractive display of banners lining the street for the 2007 Centennial celebrations, and are now looking into the possibility of similar banners with a Canada flag design that could be used each year for Canada Day. Pennant strings, such as were used some years ago for the auto club show and shine, are another possibility, and the committee is hoping the chamber of commerce will encourage its members to decorate their premises

for the holiday as well.

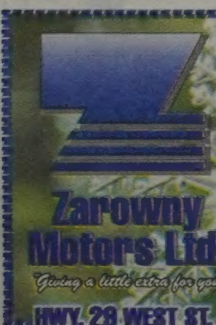
While there is no contest for yard decorating this year, the committee is hoping that residents will still express their love of Canada by bringing out their flags and other decorative material to celebrate the country's 143rd birthday.

A new event tentatively added to the Canada Day lineup will also focus on the downtown area, bringing the community's youth back to the pancake breakfast site following the official opening ceremonies at the Canada Day stage north of the arena. Provided sound systems are available for both stages. The committee plans to offer the area's teen bands the opportunity to entertain their peers downtown, while the older and younger generations

enjoy a multicultural stage show and a variety of children's games up the hill.

All ages will enjoy that evening's continuation of musical entertainment at the Canada Day Idol competition, once again to be held in the roomy Arts and Leisure Centre following the Farm Survival Race. Both of those events, and the Strong Man competition, have earlier start times this year to allow the Idol audience and performers to be back outdoors in ample time to enjoy the fireworks finale.

With the events' lineup and the day's budget worked out, the committee's application for a federal grant to assist with paying for the event can now be signed and sent, as committee members get back to the preliminary preparations for their part of the program.



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UFA donates to playschool

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Vicki Brooker photo

Kehewin Cree Nation woman receives Canada's Outstanding Principal award

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Kehewin Community Education Centre principal Linda Gadwa has been selected by the National Academy of Principals to receive a 2010 Canada's Outstanding Principal Award, an award that was initiated by the Learning

Partnership. Gadwa, along with 32 other outstanding principals in Canada, will be honored on Feb. 23 at the Canada's Outstanding Principals Gala Awards Celebration, which is being held in Toronto at the Delta Chelsea Hotel. Such an award is presented to principals who have made an outstanding difference in the lives of their students and their own communities. Gadwa will be participating in a five-day Executive Leadership Training Program at the prestigious University of Toronto's Joseph L. Rotman School of Management from Feb. 21 to 25.

The Canada's Outstanding Principals (COP) program is in its sixth year and this year's winners will join the assembly of



Kehewin Community Education Centre principal Linda Gadwa.

155 previous recipients of this prestigious honor. The award is an initiative of The Learning Partnership, a national non-profit organization that has championed public education in Canada since 1993. Reflecting on the desire to recognize the unique challenges that educational leaders face on reserve schools, Gadwa will receive a special award from The Learning Partnership for her exceptional leadership.

Gadwa is a member of the Kehewin Cree Nation and since 2006, has been principal of Kehewin's Kindergarten to Grade 12 First Nation school that studies the Alberta Curriculum. The Cree Language and Culture Program is an integral component taught at all grade levels.

The University of Alberta has been her academic home. She received a Bachelor of Education in 1999, a Post Graduate Diploma in Educational Policy Studies in 2006 and a Masters of Education in 2009.

Gadwa's vision was to hear students in the school speak their Cree Language. She initiated changes to the Cree language and Culture Program by making Cree language instruction more meaningful.

The staff and students are active participants in all cultural events and activities; she hired certified teachers

of Cree descent who spoke the language and were knowledgeable of the culture; teachers are expected to speak Cree to students daily, to teach students traditional values and teachings, and to encourage students to speak conversational Cree. Today, the staff at KCEC is comprised of 90 per cent Cree descent. Ongoing plans will be to develop a community action plan to involve the entire community around language instruction.

For the past two and a half years, her entire school staff has worked with education researchers from the University of Alberta to enhance students' performance in mathematics. Working collaboratively, administrators, teachers and education researchers are learning how children in the school make sense of mathematical ideas and how teacher's instruction might align with student thinking in order to improve performance in mathematics. This collaboration has included junior high students traveling to Edmonton to participate in mathematics fairs and in turn hosting math fairs in their own school;

also a mathematician of First Nation descent has met with students to share the value of studying math.

In 2008, Gadwa initiated a stay-in-school incentive program for high school students by bringing together support from the community, the school, and industry, to fund educational tours to Europe. The project stems from the desire to promote the programs of study to a more meaningful level. Besides rewarding student's commitment to excel, the focus was to engage students in exploring the world and discovering other cultures, to further students' love for history, literature, arts and learning, to broaden student's personal experience, to promote aboriginal culture abroad, and to encourage students to learn a foreign language.

It is a great honor to receive a Canada's Outstanding Principal Award and Gadwa is surely deserving of this prestigious award as she has truly exemplified excellence as a woman who has persevered in ensuring her vision became a reality.

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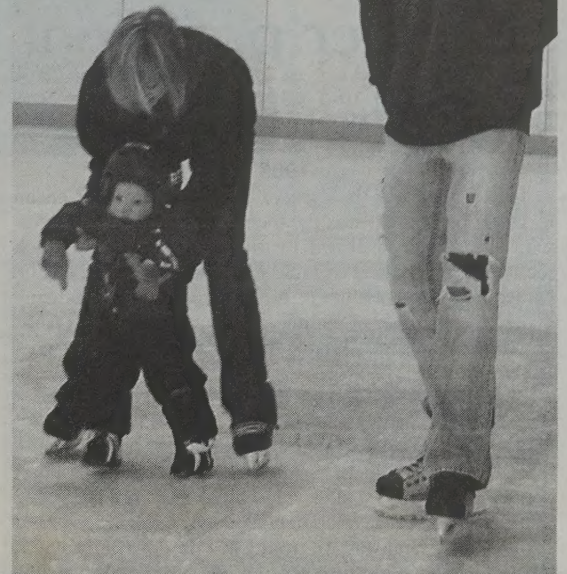
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Family Day fun



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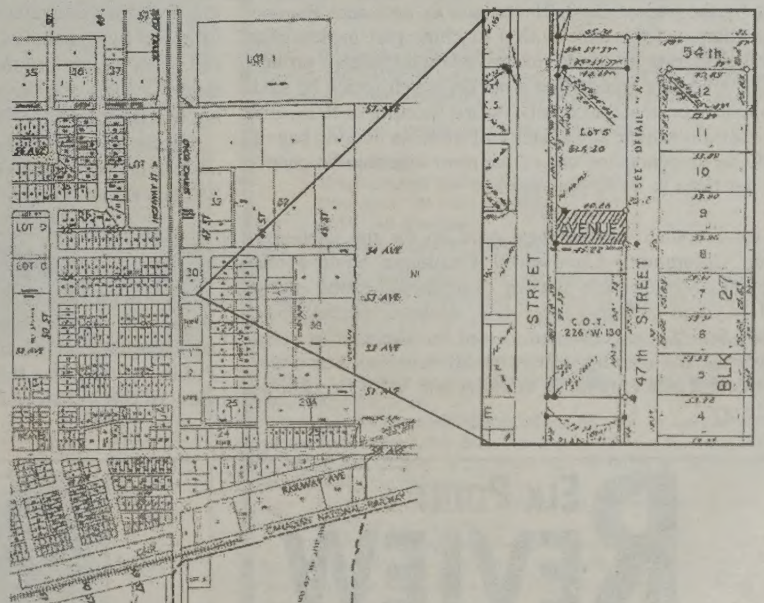
Town of Elk Point

Notice of Public Hearing

Bylaw No. 677/10

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, as amended, the Council of the Town of Elk Point proposes to adopt Bylaw No. 677/10 for the Town to enact:

The road to be closed is all that portion of the avenue on Plan 802-2677 lying west of the southerly projection of the easternmost boundary of Lot 5, Block 30, Plan 802-2677.



A copy of the proposed bylaw may be reviewed and inspected by the public at the Town of Elk Point Office during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

At 7:00 p.m. on March 08, 2010, the Council of the Town of Elk Point will cause a Public Hearing to be held in the Town Council Chambers at the Town of Elk Point Office, at which time objections or comments regarding the proposed bylaw may be given and received.

Myron Goyan, Manager
Town of Elk Point
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| • Sun. April 11 - MIKE & KATIE ZIBROWSKI - Thorhild | • Thur. June 3 - Estate of KEN ADKINS - Elk Point |
| • Fri. April 16 - CONSIGNMENT SALE - Redwater (List Early) | • Sun. June 4 - Estate of PAUL EMMEL - Evansburg |
| • Sun. April 18 - ALEX POPOWICH - MOVED TO REDWATER | • Sat. June 5 - RAY SEQUIN - Stony Plain |
| • Fri. April 23 - WALCHUK'S - Land & Equip. - Andrew | • Sun. June 6 - N. & E. GERUN & A. NAKONECHNY - Tawatinaw |
| • Wed. April 28 - BILL & DOREEN SIKORA - Chipman | • Fri. June 11 - ALEX & MARYANN SEDLOWSKY - Thorhild |
| • Thur. April 29 - TONY & MONICA GULKA - Vimy | • Sat. June 12 - ALBERT & IRENE LUCHKA - Boyle |
| • Fri. April 30 - DON MOIR - Bon Accord | • Fri. June 18 - Estate of SAM FEDUN - St. Michael |
| • Sat. May 1 - RUSSEL & DOREEN PAWLUK - Bon Accord | • Sat. June 19 - TED & RUBY YARMUCH - RESCHEDULED TO FALL |
| • Sun. May 2 - DENNIS & MARGARET KOESTER - Gibbons | • Sun. June 20 - GIL & SYLVIA GARNER - Elk Point |
| • Tue. May 4 - HELMUT & HANNAH MESSAL - Newbrook | • Sat. June 26 - BOB & SANDRA FLESE - Egremont |
| • Sat. May 8 - STEVE & DORIS PUSHALIK - Redwater | • Sun. June 27 - Estate of NESTOR DUTKOWSKI - Bellis |
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EDITORIAL

Never say never

Until this past week, Canada had never won Olympic gold on their own turf, and they were despairing that they might never do so. However, by the time we went to press yesterday, they had claimed four of them, along with four silver medals and a bronze. This goes to show that you just have to keep trying.

After all, this is only Canada's second go at hosting the Winter Olympics, added to one Summer Olympics (1967). Maybe third time IS a charm, after all.

WAY BACK WHEN...

Cancan, Crusaders, Gen 3 chamber president

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND THE ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 23 IN...

1985

Dancing through the decades, from the Gay 90s Cancan to 1980s punk rock, was the theme for the 1985 ice carnival, with a packed crowd for the two-hour show, which included guest skaters from St. Paul and music by the F. G. Miller band. Doug Gillies of Alberta Opportunity Company visited the chamber of commerce to outline ways the AOC could help businesses unable to borrow from conventional lenders.

1990

Coach Ray Danyluk and his F. G. Miller Crusaders girls' basketball team was off to zones with a tournament win in Wainwright fresh in their memories. Town of Elk Point councillor Allan Frankiw presented four briefs to the Northern Alberta Development Council, stressing the need for widening Highway 41 from Elk Point to Highway 28, the need for a study to determine the town's most viable long-term raw water source, the need for a current impact assessment study of the community and the town's desire for a multi-use community services centre.

1995

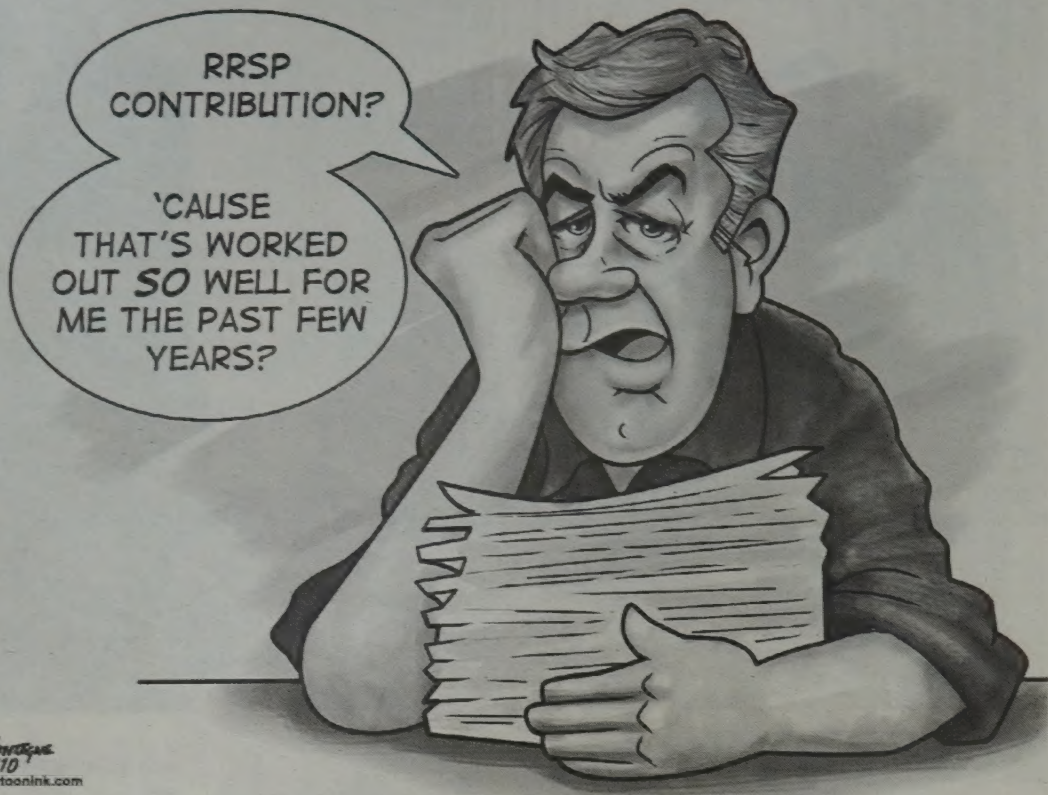
Elk Point town council agreed to support an initiative by Fort Dauphin Museum in Dauphin, MB to have fur trader Peter Fidler commemorated on a postage stamp, in conjunction with Dauphin's centennial. Michael Povaschuk, Spencer Easthope and Thomas Goulet decorated the winning cakes at the Elk Point Scouting Association's annual family banquet and cake auction.

2000

Union Pacific Resources Inc. announced their intention to drill close to 650 wells in the Moose Hills - Kehewin area by the end of 2003. New chamber president Eugene Buck thumped the table with a machine part in lieu of a gavel, declaring he would not "give you the gears," proudly displayed his grandfather's pocket watch which he said could have been at the chamber's first meeting in 1928, and blew a train whistle and a duck call from his bulging bag of tricks as he conducted one of the most entertaining chamber meetings in its 71-plus years.

2005

Town council agreed they were up for the challenge when Community Choosewell Challenge chair Mona McGinnis visited their meeting to promote healthy eating and physical activity. After five declined nominations, Sandy Smith was persuaded to lead the chamber of commerce for the coming year, with Shirley Harms as vice-president, Lesia Porcina as treasurer and Vicki Brooker as secretary.



OUR VIEWS

A defining moment

The Olympic Games are about stories of courage, heart, commitment, pride and determination. Canada's Olympic Broadcast Media Consortium wants Canadians to BELIEVE in the magic of the Olympic Games and celebrate the awe-inspiring stories of our Canadian Olympic athletes. BELIEVE is the Consortium's creative campaign designed to galvanize Canadians around Vancouver 2010, show support for the Canadian Olympic athletes and make the athletes household names. BELIEVE Vancouver 2010 will unite the country and become a defining moment in Canadian history.

For those who were able to watch the opening ceremonies on television, the comments from many people is that it was really great. Pride in Canada certainly grew that night. Following that night, the athletes started performing. Our first Canadian medal was a silver that was soon followed by Canada's first Olympic gold medal on home soil. Yes, we are proud of our Canadian athletes. So one might say, yes, the Vancouver Olympic Games are becoming a defining moment for Canadians.

Of course, to help us celebrate is the CTV anthem for the Vancouver 2010 Olympic Winter Games, 'I BELIEVE,' as composed by songwriter Alan Frew.



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from the FCSS desk

"There comes a moment when my heart must stand alone,

On this lonely path I've chosen like a house that's not a home.

Sometimes when I feel I've had enough and I feel like giving up,

You will me to be all I can be.

Now nothing can stop me.

I believe in the power that comes

From a world brought together as one

I believe together we'll fly

I believe in the power of you and I.

This is the moment we have dreamed of all our lives

Will be the changes we wish from others

We'll stand tall for what is right and in my heart there'll be no doubt

The arms of the world will come reaching out and embrace me to be all I can be

Now nothing can stop me.

I believe in the power that comes

From a world brought together as one

I believe together we'll fly

I believe in the power of you and I.

I believe the time is right now

To stand tall and make the world proud

I believe together we'll fly

I believe in the power of you and I

I believe in the power of you and I."

There is something about this song that tells the whole story of an athlete as he/she prepares and prepares to become better and better. At the same time, there is a lot of support around the athlete that makes it all possible. Today, our defining moment is here. We are Canadians and we have become visible to the world.

The Elk Point Review publishes a variety of opinions as a contribution to debate on matters of public concern. Unsigned editorials express the view of this newspaper's editorial board which includes the Publisher and the Editor. Signed pieces express the view of the individual writer.

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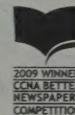


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Vicki Brooker photo

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March 5 is World Day of Prayer

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The Republic of Cameroon has a total surface area of more than 475,000 square miles, it is comparable in size to Papua New Guinea or the state of California, USA. It is bordered by Nigeria in the west, by Lake Chad in the north and Chad in the northeast, by the Central African Republic in the east and by Congo Brazzaville, Gabon and Equatorial Guinea in the south. Its people speak more than 240 languages and are part of 240 ethnic groups.

As those in churches around the world pray with the women of Cameroon, they will learn about the country's intricate cultures and social challenges including concerns about the exploitation of children and the spread of HIV/AIDS.

On the World Day of Prayer, people of all faiths, including those with no church affiliation, are welcome to worship together, and to join the women of Cameroon in Christ's unity.

All are invited to bring along friends and family to the World Day of Prayer service at Elk Point United Church on March 5 at 7 p.m. to learn more about Cameroon and its unique culture and heritage. Special guest speaker will be Seyi Oyebo, who came to Elk Point from

Nigeria, and can offer insight into life in that far-away part of the world. Allen Warawa will also be on hand to speak on the 2010 World Day of Prayer theme, "Let everything that has breath praise God."

A rehearsal of the hymns that will be sung that

evening will be held Wednesday, March 3, and organizer Shirley Kvill emphasizes that the rehearsal is not just for choir members, but is "for anyone wishing to become more familiar with the hymns."

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Taxation and Assessment Technician
County of St. Paul No. 19
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St. Paul, Alberta T0A 3A4**

5. All offers which are received after the above deadline, are incorrectly addressed, or do not comply with the terms of this invitation shall be subject to rejection.

6. All offers must be unconditional, shall adopt and be subject only to the terms and conditions contained within this invitation for offers, and there must be only one individual legal description per offer.

7. All those submitting offers, as well as the general public, may attend the offer opening at 10:15 a.m. March 9, 2010, at the County of St. Paul No. 19 office at 5015 - 49 Avenue, St. Paul, Alberta.

8. A 10% Deposit to accompany all bids, if unsuccessful, the deposit will be returned.

9. The closing date, the date given for all adjustments, and the date for full payment of purchase price for any given parcel listed in the above Lands shall be fifteen (15) days after the date of sale.

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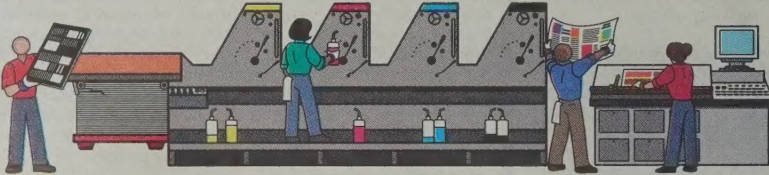
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Janani Whitfield photo

While enjoying a stick of tire sur neige (maple syrup), Elk Point elementary students also got a chance to try another French tradition of playing spoons. The Cabane à sucre station was among the many activities that the students enjoyed at their winter carnival, held indoors at the school on Feb. 19.

Elk Point Elementary students played bingo as part of their winter carnival on Feb. 19.



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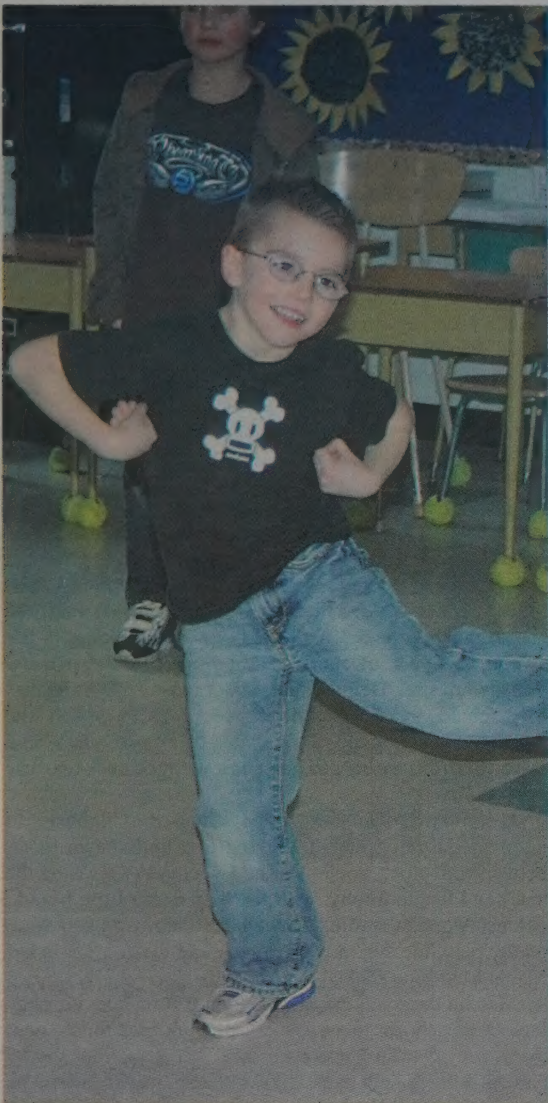
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Students got in to the swing of things with the Chicken Dance (above) during the Elk Point Elementary School's Feb. 19 winter carnival, while others enjoyed other activities, including chasing one another over and under a giant parachute (at right).



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Review Sports

the Women's Hockey Bronze medal game and the Women's Hockey Gold medal game, both on Thursday, and of course we're planning on singing "O Canada" (out of tune) at the top of our lungs; plus the final pursuit in speed skating on Saturday, that's like a roller derby on ice. Cool! This is one of those bucket list things you have to do before you kick, not that I plan on doing that any time

By the time you read this Donna and I should have landed on the west coast for the Olympics. Our plane was scheduled to leave this morning, we have tickets for

soon, cause I still want to go to a World Series ball game some day, I've been to the Grey Cup, although it's still a little fuzzy who won, Ti-cats or the Blue Bombers? And of course the biggest of event of all for myself, would be the Stanley Cup final and the Leafs win it all. How long do I plan on living? For a long, long time!

We're spending some time with two of Donna's ex-bosses out there, Dr. Kleeberger in White Rock and Dr. Adams in Victoria, both of them worked here in Elk Point at one time and now live on the coast. Hey,, if your kid doesn't make it in hockey, you should push them to be a dentist. Instead of getting your teeth knocked out, you can be the guy who fixes them, and then retire on the west coast!

OK, enough of that, let's get on with the show. Despite all the efforts of Tony Meger and Diane Dewan this past fall, Elk Point Minor Hockey was unable to ice a midget hockey team this year, so eventually the players were released, now ironically Tony is the coach and Diane is the manager of the St. Paul Canadiens midget team who played here on this past Sunday night against Vegreville, Diane, by the way, is also our referee- in -chief, has been for the last two years and done an excellent job of it. Five boys on the Canadiens played in Elk Point and it's not that long ago I remember those little rink rats in novice and atoms, Harrison "Dirty Harry" Maas, Dino Meger, Jamie "Fuzzy" Wozniak, Wyatt "Mad Dog" Dewan and Jared Vallee. The Canadiens would win the two-game series over Vegreville, "Fuzzy" with a goal, "Mad Dog" coming up with some big saves. And I should also mention another midget player Dylan "In your face" Loughran who also

plays in St. Paul on their other midget A team.

The Atom Avalanche squad called up Dustyn Pankiw and Spencer Hardcastle from the farm on Sunday to fill in for some missing players on their roster, the rookie goalie Dustyn Pankiw was sensational in his debut in the cage, facing 47 shots and plenty of them big wicked slap shots, Spencer on the forward line mixing up with the big guys, Brodin Ference was on a scoring rampage in this one, five goals for the charging "Flying Bull", Brian Bazian, Sydney Letwin and Austin "Ozzy" Stafford all assisting.

"Brick House" Robyn Maennchen made some key saves, but a few got through the cracks for the Midget Girls Storm this past Saturday afternoon against Lloydminster. Her sister Katie, driving to the net, scored on the power play, assisted by the towering center Kelsey "the Champ" Vinge and Mariah Poitras. Mariah and little sister Jewel Poitras both battling hard in this game and doing a superb job fore checking, along with "Taylor Made" Jenner. It's sad that Taylor graduates this year, she has so much potential with the huge improvement in her skating this year, of course, and no one could ever question her desire. Defense partners Lindsey "Goldilocks" MacDonald and Tori "T Rex" Becker both getting the green light from the coaching staff of Dave Cousins and Darcy Stafford, going coast to coast with the puck at every opportunity.

The Novice Thunder rolled down the highway to Kitscoty on the weekend, playing in a tournament there, between the pipes, goalie Darian Rybchynsky winning the heart and hustle trophy, with the help of his little friend,, defense women, smiling Fawn Ockerman, who was solid on the blue line stopping the attack and looks great in her Maple Leaf blue socks.

Also on the road, the Micro Novice Tornadoes stormed into Dewberry on the weekend, playing in a tournament there, Joey Cardinal was rock solid in net, brother Danny parked in front with some great defense, sniper Jaden Van Maarion finding the twine with a couple of goals, Dean "the Machine" Ockerman rang one off the iron, Alex Duffee, Jenna Poitras and Kaden Allen all doing some great fore checking.

And now for the K.A. Campbell quote of the week. "For the development of hockey, I think the best players in the world should be here. Most of the top players in the NHL, that's the way I hope it will be in the future. Real hockey people want to see the best." Last week's answer to: "Nobody played better defense on me than Steve Kasper. When I got married I half expected to see Kasper standing at the altar in a tux." -Wayne Gretzky. Do you have a sports scoop? Now you can email them to sportshound007@hotmail.com

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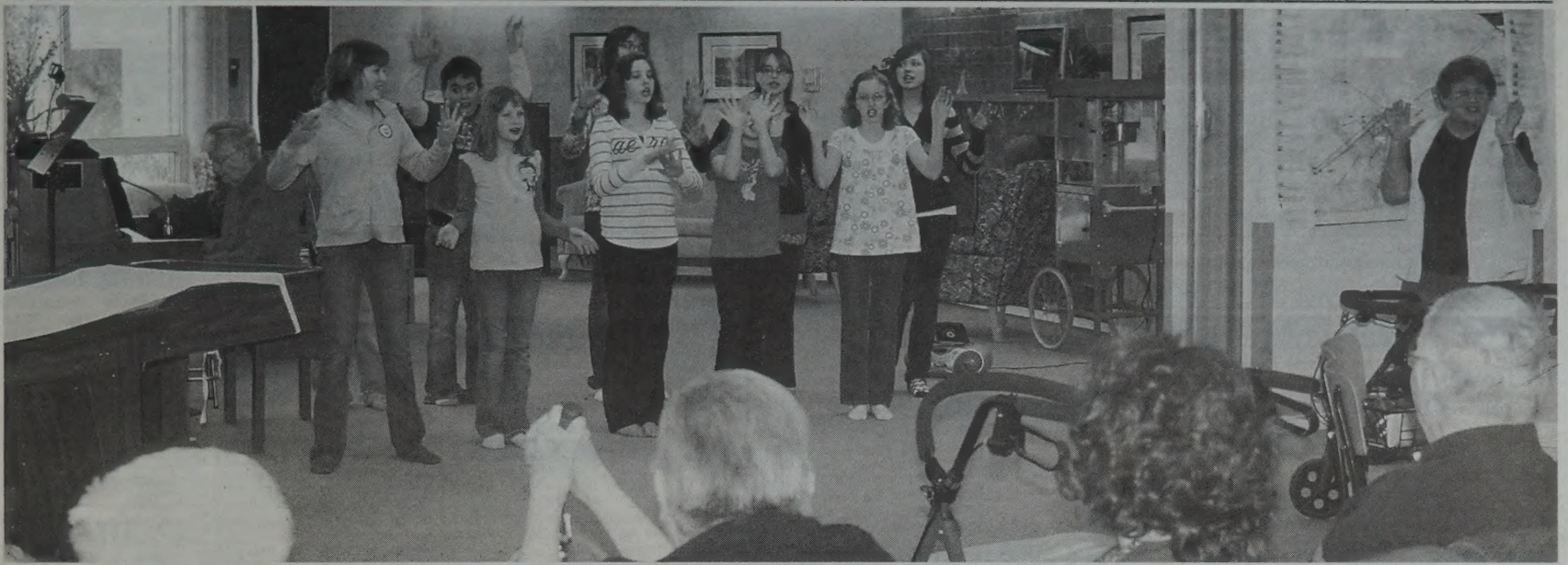
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Vicki Brooker photo
Hannah Ganske presents lodge resident Nesta Evtushevski with a Valentine's treat last Wednesday afternoon.



Vicki Brooker photos

The youth choir sings out with one of their gospel favourites with Gabe Bayduza at the piano and director Diana Anderson (far right) joining in the action song.

Youths share love with lodge residents

BY VICKI BROOKER

Staff Writer

Elk Point United Church youth group traveled to Heritage Lodge on Wednesday afternoon for a belated Valentine's Day celebration with the residents.

Youth choir members Morgan Nelson, Hannah and Theo Ganske, Cheyenne and Savannah Lawrence, Olivia Rose Leaf, Shelbie Berg, Tia Lowry, Brooke Gormley and Shae Anderson sang some of their gospel favourites, under Diana Anderson's enthusiastic leadership and with Gabe Bayduza at the piano, before distributing treats, handmade valentines and heart-shaped cookies they had decorated to the lodge residents.

The visit was one of the highlights of an already-busy week at the lodge, as Lodge Olympics events continued with balloon volleyball and rug dice competitions. The Olympics will wind up this Friday with the presentation of medals to the champions of each event.

Elk Point United Church youth group members introduced themselves to the residents of Heritage Lodge when they paid them a belated Valentine's Day visit last Wednesday.



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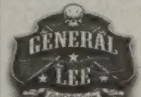
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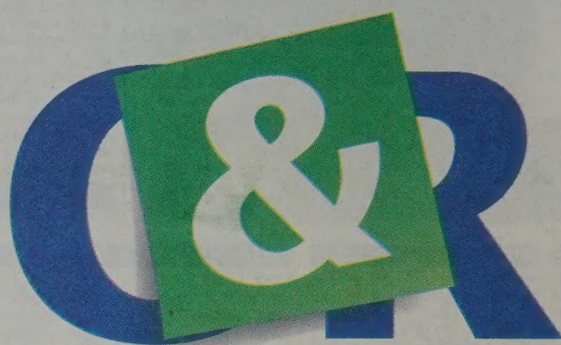
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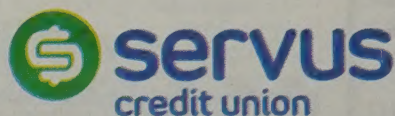
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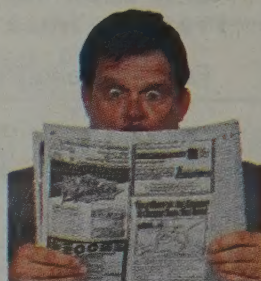
History hits the trail

By VICKI BROOKER
Staff Writer

The prized possessions of vintage snowmobile enthusiasts will hit the Iron Horse Trail early Saturday afternoon for a 35 km ride, following a show and shine at the Elk Point Staging area.

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